(b) The details are available in Volumes I and II of the Monthly Statistics of the Foreign Trade of India (Annual Number 1992-93), published by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Calcutta, which are public documents.

(c) and (d) It is the policy of Government to allow the export of items of mass consumption in such a manner that it does not compromise our food security.

Government does not propose to import any item except where such imports are considered absolutely unavoidable in view of serious shortages in the domestic market or where such imports are considered helpful for augmenting exports.

Amount due to U.P. State Bridge Corporation

1934. SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI :

DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI :

SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM :

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the amount due to the U.P. State Bridge Corporation for the works done in Iraq and covered by the deferred payment agreement between the two Govts ; and

(b) the amount that has been paid to the Corporation in 1993 and what steps are being taken by the Export Import Bank of India to clear the remaining payments ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) An amount of US $ 4,585,960.25 (approx. Rs. 14.21 crores including interest) is due to the UP State Bridge Corpn. for the work done in Iraq and covered under the Indo-Iraq Deferred Payment Agreement.

(b) The dues of UP State Bridge Corpn. are to be realized through purchase of oil from Iraq under Deferred Payment Agreements (DPA). As DPA between the two Govts. remains to be revived in the wake of UN Sanctions imposed in Aug., 90 against Iraq, which still continues, not recovery of dues could be made from Iraq after July, 1990.

Taking over of Industries by Trade Unions

@ 1935. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that new trade union culture is taking roots wherein workers are taking the mills and premises forcibly and beginning production on their own, especially in the cases of Kanoria jute mill in Howrah, Kamani Metal Tube in Bombay and the office of British Airways in Calcutta ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) what corrective steps have been taken or are proposed to be taken by Government to ensure investment by the entrepreneurs in the industry, especially by the N.R.Is and foreign industrial giants ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) : (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

ILO Aid for Child Labour Projects

1936. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that International Labour Organisation (ILO) has earmarked an amount of dollar 2.25 billion for projects aimed at eliminating child labour for 1993-94.

(b) if so, the details of these projects ;

(c) what the amount allocated to each projects ; and

(d) how is the allocated amount being utilised ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) : (a) No, Sir, ILO had under

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@ Previously Unstarred Question no. 528 transferred from 24-2-94.

the International Programme on Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC) earmarked on amount of 2.25 million US dollars for projects aimed at eliminating child labour during the biennium 1992-93.

(b) and (c) Details are given in Annexure [*See* Appendix 170, Annexure no. 46].

(d) the allocated amounts are being utilised for the activities included in the sanctioned programmes. On the basis of the agreement signed between ILO and the implementing agencies, the programmes are reviewed through quarterly reports. Release of instalments is based on this review.

Unemployed Engineering Graduates in Arunachal Pradesh

1937. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total number of unempoyed engineeering graduates in Arunachal Pradesh, and

(b) by when employment would be provided to them by Government and what are the schemes of Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) : (a) The number of engineering graduates (including post graduates) on the Live Register of employment exchange in Arunachal Pradesh as on 31-12-92, who are not necessarily unemployed was two.

(b) Employment is a thrust area of the Eighth Five Year Plan. The Plan emphasises the need for a high rate of economic growth, combined with faster growth of sectors, sub-sectors and areas which have relatively high employment potential for enhancing the pace of employment generation. Geographically and crop-wise diversified agricultural growth, development of wastelands and forestry, development of rural non-farm sector and rural infrastructure, faster growth of small and decentralised manufacturing and expansion of housing, are the basic elements of the employment-oriented growth strategy envisaged in the Plan. This will benefit the engineering graduates registered with the Employment Exchanges in the country, including those in Arunachal Pradesh.

Assistance to People Seeking Overseas Employment

1938. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have given permission to Government of Gujarat to render necessary assistance to the people seeking overseas employment ;

(b) if so, whether the State Government has set up agencies to help the people getting employment in foreign countries ;

(c) if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) the number of such persons provided assistance so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) : (a) to (c) M/s Gujarat State Export Corporation Ltd. Ahmedabad, a Government of Gujarat Undertaking, had applied for registeration under the Emigration Act, 1983 for deploying workers for overseas employment. The Corporation has been asked to furnish certain information/documents required for registration.

(d) Does not arise.

Incentives to Labour Intensive Units in the Country

1939. SHRI S. AUSTIN : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are providing incentives to labour intensive units in the country ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) : (a) and (b) One of the objectives of the Industrial Policy is rapid expansion of opportunities for gainful employment. Government has announced